

**Amendments to the Claims:**

Claims 1-21    **(Canceled)**

**22.    (Currently amended)** ~~A mobile information terminal as recited in claim 1,~~  
~~wherein~~ A mobile information terminal comprising:  
    a case that is approximately palm-sized;  
    a display device having a screen, the display device being stored in said case such that the  
screen is exposed to outside of said case;  
    an electronic circuit operable to control said display device; and  
    a hooking portion that is provided in an outward-protruding portion of said case;  
    wherein said electronic circuit is stored in said case;  
    wherein said hooking portion is formed such that a finger can be inserted into an inside of  
said hooking portion;  
    wherein said case has a front surface that is generally tabular, and a rear surface opposite  
said front surface;  
    wherein said display device is disposed such that said screen is exposed at said front  
surface of said case;  
    wherein said rear surface is formed with a swollen portion configured to fit in a palm; and  
    wherein said hooking portion is arranged such that, with the finger inserted into said  
hooking portion, said swollen portion of said rear surface of said case is fit in the palm.

**23.    (Previously presented)** A mobile information terminal as recited in claim 22,  
wherein  
    said case is provided with a button portion operable to be manipulated by the finger to  
input information into said electronic circuit;  
    said button portion is arranged such that, when the finger is inserted into said hooking  
portion, said button portion is operable by the finger.

24. (Currently amended) ~~A mobile information terminal as recited in claim 1;~~  
~~wherein~~ A mobile information terminal comprising:  
a case that is approximately palm-sized;  
a display device having a screen, the display device being stored in said case such that the  
screen is exposed to outside of said case;  
an electronic circuit operable to control said display device; and  
a hooking portion that is provided in an outward-protruding portion of said case;  
wherein said electronic circuit is stored in said case;  
wherein said hooking portion is formed such that a finger can be inserted into an inside of  
said hooking portion;  
wherein said hooking portion is formed such that plural fingers can be inserted into an  
inside of said hooking portion;  
wherein said case has a front surface that is generally tabular, and a rear surface opposite  
said front surface;  
wherein said display device is disposed such that said screen is exposed at said front  
surface of said case;  
wherein said rear surface is formed with a swollen portion configured to fit in a palm;  
wherein said hooking portion is arranged such that, with the plural fingers inserted into  
said hooking portion, said swollen portion of said rear surface of said case is fit in the palm;  
wherein said case is provided with plural button portions operable to be manipulated by  
the plural fingers to input information into said electronic circuit; and  
wherein said button portions are arranged such that, when the plural finger are inserted  
into said hooking portion, said button portions are operable by the plural fingers.